

Introduced by Senator Battin

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10—Relative to tribal gaming.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 10, as introduced, Battin. Tribal gaming.

This measure would urge the Governor to execute a tribal-state gaming compact with the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians.

Fiscal committee: no.

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2 WHEREAS, Existing federal law, the Indian Gaming
3 Regulatory Act, provides for the negotiation and execution of
4 tribal-state gaming compacts for the purpose of authorizing certain
5 gaming activities on Indian lands within a state; and
6 WHEREAS, California law expressly ratifies specified
7 tribal-state gaming compacts; and
8 WHEREAS, The Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians
9 desire to enter into a tribal-state compact with the State of
10 California to allow the tribe to benefit from the Indian Gaming
11 Regulatory Act; and
12 WHEREAS, The Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians
13 should be given the same rights as other federally recognized tribes
14 in California who have entered into compacts with the state and
15 have enjoyed the economic boon brought by gaming; and
16 WHEREAS, The Torres Martinez Tribe, like other tribes in
17 California, is comprised of proud people whose rich cultural
18 heritage has enabled them to endure countless hardships; and

1 WHEREAS, The Torres Martinez Tribe deserves an
2 opportunity to provide new resources and opportunities for its
3 people; and

4 WHEREAS, The request of the Torres Martinez Tribe for the
5 same tribal-state compact that has been granted to 61 other
6 California tribes should be honored at this time; now, therefore, be
7 it

8 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
9 *thereof concurring*, That the Governor remedy this situation
10 immediately by executing a tribal-state compact with the Torres
11 Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians; and be it further

12 *Resolved* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this
13 resolution to the Governor

